

This is in reference to the request for comments regarding iBiquity IBOC digital radio broadcasting. While I believe IBOC is workable on the existing FM broadcast band, I am concerned about adjacent channel interference caused by the use of wideband digital on the AM broadcast band. My understanding is that IBOC digital will cause significant interference to existing analog AM broadcast stations +/- 15 kHz from the assigned frequency. Rather than allow a less than optimal digital system on AM, why not consider terrestrial DAB using the Eureka standard presently on the air in Canada and Europe? The Eureka solution to DAB is far superior to IBOC, and we would be enjoying digital signals from local AM and FM broadcasters right now had the Eureka standard been adopted.